

# AMA-CHEWER

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- SEPT. 9th Business meeting.
- SEPT. 16th Art Schultz will talk on "Radio Calculations". This is the math program a lot of you have been asking for. Art will try to tie math and radio together in a way that you can make use of general math.
- SEPT. 23rd Inspection trip to radio station WISH on Post Road, followed by an inspection of the new plant of the Earl W. Springer Aircraft Radio Co. also on Post road. (It is presumed that arrangements will be that we meet first at the club room so that we may fill cars for those that do not drive.)
- SEPT. 30th Robert Annis will talk and demonstrate the new slow speed Revere tape recorder. This is a unit using iron oxide on a tape going at half speed and giving extremely good reproduction.
- OCT. 7th
- OCT. 14th Business meeting of the club. Let's out for this one and give our ideas for the club's activities for the coming winter months.

Meetings unless otherwise stated are held at the Northeast Community Center at 3306 East 30th St. (30th St. and LaSalle St.) Meetings called to order at 8:00 PM CDST (Std. time after CDST) Everyone is welcome.

### PAST PROGRAMS

For past programs we go back to Aug issue of Amachewer to see that on July 22nd we made a FB trip to WFBI-TV. When I say an inspection trip I mean just that because we saw it inside and out. Our thanks to Bergenroth for his explanations and opening of the station as well as a hand to the station and studio gang for the dope. On July 24th the IRCC picnic at Tippecanoe State park. Mitten, VanSickle and Caskey were the Indpls gang. Where were you? At this picnic the outstanding amateur award was made to The Net Control Station of the Ind. Fone Net. Growey of Fb. Wayne. July 29th Roland Boughton W9PMM talked on the reduction of TVI. He gave plenty of fb dope and told how he had even pacified Joe Badger his next door neighbor who makes or rather designs the things the TV sets that is. Aug. 5th was our It Pays to be Ignorant program. Aug. 12th a business meeting of the club. On the 26th of Aug.



the club put on an old timers night. We really had some old time apparatus at this meeting too. Also quite a few of the old timers turned out. Films of the old ham fests and of the old gang were shown as well as having stills for reminiscence. Sept 2th was not programmed and very few turned out for this meeting. Earl Spring, talked on "Name Plates" on the 19th of Aug. and gave a very nice talk on the making of same.

#### SILENT STATION

Sunday morning Aug 28th Lon Webb, W9EJH died at St Francis Hospital. He had gone home from work ill Sat. became worse and was taken to the hospital where he passed away.

Lon, one of the old timers, had not turned out for our old timers night so he may have felt bad at that time. The club will miss EJH as he was always for the club, helping to get it started after the war, hauling club gear and wiring up the present transmitter room. Lon was Vice President of the club in 1948.

#### INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB AT FAIR

Follows a write up by Ray Forbes W9HNS who handled all the details for the following. We owe Ray a lot for the time and effort that he put in to make this a success. The club was asked by the Red Cross to furnish communications between their red cross stations around the fair grounds. The editor asked Ray to write up what happened and here follows:

Whww! It's over, and we made it! The Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. provided emergency communication for the American Red Cross via 2 meter ham radio for nine days during the State Fair.

Using BC522 transmitters and receivers located at three field stations and in the Emergency Hospital on the Fairgrounds, Indianapolis hams called ambulances, arranged relief shifts for the Red Cross workers, ordered supplies as needed, and handled reports between the stations via radio. Stations were set up at the west gate on 42nd Street, in front of the Purdue Building on the midway, at the southwest corner of the Coliseum, and in the hospital. Gear for this work was loaned by Damon Lawrence, Les Watson, Harry Butler, Don Bergenroth, Jerry Lucas, Marvin Wood, Charlie Mitten, George Wood, and Ray Forbes.

The stations were operated daily in two shifts from 11AM to 6 PM and from 6PM to 11 PM from September 1st through September 9th inclusive.

To George Wood, W9CZO, and Elmer Teflinger, W9GRN, who gave so generously of their time during the day tricks, and to all the others who loaned their gear and stood watches, the Radio Club gratefully says "Tnx, Om, for a fb job."

There is talk among the Red Cross people of asking our help on other occasions such as the Soap Box Derby, etc. We hope to serve them again if asked, and to serve them even better.

The following hams, 33 in number, stood 72 watches at the stations. Their names and calls follow.



## List of hams operating at the Fair

Carleton Poindexter, W9SMN - Damon Lawrence, W9YHY - Marvin Mincer, W9HJH - Roland Boughton, W9PMK - Clair Gould, W9AQQ - T. Gerald Lucas, W9APJ - Jack Snyder, W9PNA - John Jones, W9FZW - Howard Severeid, W9DPL - Raymond Forbes, W9HNS - Robert K. Caskey, W9DNQ - Chester Martin, W9LWN - Charles Compton, W9ZCE - Damon Duree, W9PEV - Charles Mitten, W9VNV - Albert Whisenand, W9ASM - Perry L. Weffler, W9GAR - J. Richard Nottingham, W9HKK - John Hawes, Jr. W9FVR - Robert Evans Jr., W9FKX - Leslie D. Watson, W9LLA - Lester Hoyt, M.D., W9GQC Phillip Poling, W9DNZ - James Dean, W9HCQ - George Wood, W9CZO - Louise Wood, W9GRP - John Henry, W9GND - Lewis Dunham, W9GQL - Henry Harney, W9FYQ - Elmer E. Taflinger, W9GRN - Gloria Harvey, W9GHO - Norman Hills, W9JMJ - James Hirschman, W9UQD.

To each of you listed above we say again "Tnx Om es vy 73"  
The Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. Ray Forbes, W9HNS.

The above shows what can be done when someone gets behind the thing and pushes it. Who would have thought that anyone could have told the Red Cross that we could man 72 watches over 9 days. Ray told them that he could and he dug up the men to do the job. Ye ed thinks Ray did a big job just in that not to mention the fact that he himself stood watch every day of the fair. We owe a lot to Ray and need a lot, well not a lot, just a few more like him to push club activities along and get things done. Step forward. Ray said the biggest job was manning the day watches and Elmer Taflinger, George Woods, and his wife Louise put in quite a few days of work to fill this gap. Ye ed also heard Gloria Harvey during the day too. Ye ed certainly takes pleasure in thanking Ray, and those he recruited for doing a big job in a big way and hopes that it will stir up enough interest in the gang that they will step out and do more of the same. Field day, etc. Any suggestions?

## CLASSIFIED

You can list items that you have for sale in amachewer. \$ lines or fraction thereof for \$.25. Look around now and if you have some unused equipment you want to turn into cash why not write up an add and turn it in to the editor or the club secretary.

FOR SALE, SCR 522, Perry L. Weffler, W9GAR, 5150 Ralston Ave., Broadway 9104.

## NEW MEMBERS

The following men have been voted into the club. We take pleasure in welcoming them into the organization.

Raymond A. Stellhorn, W9ASD Lester H. Hoyt, W9GQC

## HERE AND THERE

IRC members on 7MC CW look for and get in on the Sunday Confab with W9DZG, Earl on 7004 KC. You'll find W9DPL, W9HNS, W9CmQ, W9QLU there on Sundays at 12:30 PM CDST.

A few of the new calls around here. Dick Nottingham, W9HKK, Colonel Finney, W9HIE, Capt. McInnis, W9HHF. Know of any more?



When does that new mimeograph materialize?

A provision for a flower has been set up for the club. By the way, flowers were sent by the club to Lon Webb.

Night school has started and code classes have been started.

The club had some high fliers Sunday Sept. 11th. Flying to the CCARA at Cincinnati, Ohio were, in Tiny Andersons', W9GVW plane were Lon Davis, W9JYP (instigator of the trip) Alvey Pittman, W9JJC, Roland Boughton, W9PMM, and Tommy Thompson. Besides these five in this plane Earl Springer W9HTB also took off in his Bircoupe. Earl landed in the field (Flying) right next to the picnic grounds but Tiny because of the size of the ship was flying had to land at the Tristate airport and then take a taxi to the picnic grounds. For that Earl had the laugh on tiny and his gang. Ye ed checking with Roland Boughton to get the above confirmation told that at the picnic were Les Watson and 2 others, Chick Richardson HKZ and KVM who took them (the five) to the airport to save them making the second payment on a taxi. It is to be said that now Alvey Pittman is quite an admirer of Indpls as viewed from an airplane at night. Tiny and his group left at dusk at Cincinnati and landed at Ceir Cook about 8 oclock. Good flying fellows.

Ray Forbes is supposed to have a VL antenna. It raises VL's at will.

Chic Richeson who had been in bed with a sick ticker is back in circulation. Good luck Chuck.

Many thanks to the committee lead by John Hall who got out the old timers night cards and are now preparing a questionnaire.

W9QFB is the handle for a scientific expidition

Many thanks to the fellows who have sent cards to ye ed. W9KQG, Bergenroth, who says, "He too". from Joe Brands Albuguerque, NM. Tourist Court. They had been preceded by W9HKZ and W9ZEEChic and Bob Stevens. Then we had a card from Schultz from KC and again from San Diego Calif where he said that he was seeing lots and eating plenty of lobsters and swordfish but had seen no hams. Lots of TV out there though he said.